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Texas Chicken and Egg Report

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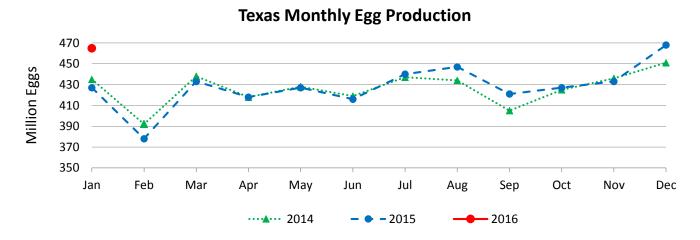
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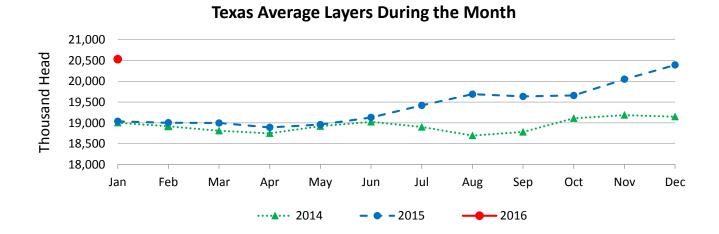
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This report contains the results from the February 2016 Chicken and Egg Survey. The estimates in this report are based on a monthly survey of contractors and independent producers who have at least 30,000 laying hens for table egg and/or hatchery supply. We would like to thank all producers whose responses to the survey made these estimates for Texas possible. Results from the next monthly survey will be made available on March 22, 2016.

January 2016 egg production in Texas totaled 465 million eggs, up 9 percent from January 2015, and down 1 percent from December 2015.

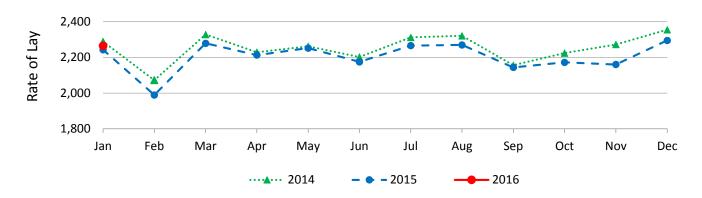


The number of layers during January 2016 averaged 20.5 million, 8 percent higher than last year, and 1 percent higher than December 2015. Egg production per 100 layers averaged 2,265 eggs, up from last year's 2,243 eggs, but down from last month's 2,295 eggs.



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Texas Monthly Eggs Produced Per 100 Layers



U.S. Highlights: United States egg production totaled 8.15 billion eggs during January 2016, 5 percent below a year ago. Production included 7.01 billion table eggs, 1.05 billion broiler-type hatching eggs and 89.0 million egg-type hatching eggs. Nationally, the total number of layers averaged 351 million during January 2016, down 4 percent from a year ago. Production per 100 layers was 2,323 eggs during January, down 1 percent from last year.

The U.S. monthly hatch of egg-type chicks totaled 47.6 million, 8 percent higher than January 2015. The hatch of broiler-type chicks, at 799 million, was 1 percent higher than January of last year. The leading U.S. breeders placed 6.73 million broiler-type pullet chicks for future domestic hatchery supply flocks during January 2016, down 3 percent from January 2015.

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